IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, amend the paragraph starting at line 20 and ending at line 24 as follows:

The principal element of each rib is a structural shape <u>or component</u> 32, which can be made from aluminum or other material, having as its principal characteristic a longitudinal slot 32A on the upper face and an intermediate partition 32B of suitable thickness; the slot 32A is delimited by edges 32C which face each other; the whole of the structural shape 32 forms a channel 32E.